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## THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

### NATIONAL.

For President—Charles Evans Hughes of New York.  
For Vice President—Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana.  
U. S. Senator—Howard Sutherland of Randolph.  
Congress, First District—Thos. W. Fleming, Fairmont.

### JUDICIAL.

W. N. Miller, Parkersburg. Harold A. Ritz, Elmhurst.

### STATE.

Governor—Ira E. Robinson of Taylor.  
Secretary of State—Houston G. Young, of Harrison.  
Superintendent of Schools—Morris F. Shawkey of Kanawha.  
Auditor—John S. Darst of Jackson.  
Treasurer—William S. Johnson of Fayette.  
Attorney General—E. T. England of Logan.  
Commissioner of Agriculture—James H. Stewart of Putnam.  
State Senator, Eleventh District—Charles A. Sinsel, Taylor County.

### COUNTY.

Sheriff—W. H. Veach, Farmington.  
Assessor—W. S. Hamilton, Fairmont.  
Prosecuting Attorney—Rollo J. Conley, Fairmont.  
County Commissioner—W. P. Mason, Mannington.  
House Delegates—Geo. W. Bowers, Mannington.  
Walter, Elason, Fairmont.  
B. S. Hutchinson, Union District.  
Co. Surveyor—Thos. E. Minnear, Annabelle, Lincoln Dist.

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 14, 1916.

"America First and America Efficient"

## REWARDS OF EMPIRE BUILDING

JAMES J. HILL left an estate which is officially estimated to be worth \$40,000,000. From this we infer that the trade of empire building is fairly remunerative. We do not anticipate, however, that the ranks will become overcrowded, even after the disclosures made by Mr. Hill's executors. It is an exacting calling, and all except those who have a "gift" for it soon drop out.

Singularly enough this Canadian by birth who subsequently became one of the foremost citizens of the United States is one of the few—for all we know he is the only one—entitled to be called an empire builder who did not become embittered by his experiences. The tragic fates of the venture-some men who aided in the discovery of this hemisphere are too well known to require enumeration here. Warren Hastings, who consolidated British power in India, and who may be said to have given that vast and rich empire to the English crown, was compelled to spend almost his entire private fortune to keep from meeting the fate of Sir Walter Raleigh, whose principal scene of operations was on this side of the world.

Even Cecil Rhodes, to come down to a contemporary of our own Mr. Hill, died feeling that he was not appreciated by the people for whom he had saved the wonderful South African country. But it is not this perversity of fate which will keep down the number of empire builders. Nor even the fact that the world is growing so small that there are not many places left in which real empires may be set up. As a matter of fact there is plenty of work for a regiment of men of the Hill, Rhodes, Harriman type. The real reason is that the Lord does not make many with the required combination of superb imagination and iron resolution. And He never makes two of them alike.

## DANIELS' DELAY

JOSEPHUS DANIELS announced that, if the proposed increase to the navy received the approval of Congress, he would be ready to ask for bids for the construction of the ships within a week after the bill had been signed by the President.

We are pleased to note this sudden burst of activity on Josephus' part. And in this connection we are prompted to inquire why he has not displayed a like celerity in connection with the two battleships which were authorized nearly eighteen months ago, by the Congress which passed out on March 4, 1915. Not a stroke of work has been done on those ships—and nothing, even, has been done to prepare for building them in the shipyard which Daniels has chosen for the

cause he then shared the President's then opinion that the question of the national defense was "merely academic," that only a few "nervous souls" were "occupied with the problem, that the matter was "not new," and that it was best to "turn away" from it—as the President did?

And why, may we ask further, is he in such pressing haste now? Is it because he knows that the shipyards are crowded with work, that they cannot take the contracts which he will dangle before their eyes, and that he can go to the country with a great, though empty, show of zeal in behalf of the navy?

## INTOLERABLE

SOME day there will be a real tragedy in Bill May's notorious dive and then the police and the politicians who condone the fighting, and drinking, and the other things that do not come to the notice of the public, which go on there almost nightly will be sorry that they did not keep a firmer hand upon the situation. Indeed as it is they will be extremely lucky if public opinion does not decree that the kind of politics which breeds plague spots of that character is due for a rebuke at the polls even if it does not lead directly to blood tragedies.

There is not the slightest sense of surrendering to the base and the low simply because a national election is a matter of seven weeks away. It would not cost much in the way of votes to make these people toe the mark and it would be a whole lot better for the public. This town is in danger of acquiring the reputation of being a place where anything goes on the eve of an election providing the hats of the offenders are chalked by the proper politicians.

Even the colored citizens of the town are ashamed of the conditions which have been growing up here in the past few weeks.

## TRIUMPHANT PROGRESS

DISPATCHES from the southern end of the state indicate that Judge Ira Robinson, who is now campaigning in that section, is scoring a veritable triumph. Prominent supporters of the Lilly cause during the primary campaign are hastening to pay their respects and assure the successful contestant in that memorable struggle of their sincere best wishes and support.

Considering the amount of energy that they have put into the effort to prevent this very thing, there must be woe in the offices of the Democratic organs. But the wasted effort is the least of their causes for sorrow. The big thing is that with a united Republican party there is not the slightest chance of their being successful, even in the district fights. And the Republican party is not only united, but enthusiastic, as the demonstrations which have attended the speaking tour of Judge Robinson attest.

These things all indicate that the extent of the Republican victory in this state in November will depend largely upon the amount of energy and systematic effort the candidates and the district organizations put into the campaign. Even districts that are regarded as Democratic will be debatable territory this year.

## D. W. TURNEY, GOOD FELLOW

WE do not care what is the color of his eyes nor how much he weighs, nor whether or not he is for the Allies or the Teutons, for or against votes for women, nor even what ticket he votes at the election, we are going to bet a nice big apple that D. W. Turney, of Huntington, is a good fellow.

Turney is the man in honor of whose marriage at the age of 61, 2,000 men who work under him in the machine shops of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad turned out in the most unique parade ever seen in Huntington.

It takes a good man to be the acceptable head of a railroad machine shop. All too frequently it makes a misanthrope out of the fellow who undertakes the job. Turney apparently is one of the rare exceptions. He can make good with the exacting corporation which he regards as his "boss" and still retain the affections as well as the respect of all his subordinates.

This would be a much nicer world if there were more D. W. Turneys in it.

It was the failure of a casting and not an error in calculations which caused the second Quebec bridge disaster. When this huge structure finally is thrown open for traffic it doubtless will be one of the safest big bridges in the world.

The hearing before the public service commission on the question of merging the telephone interests of West Virginia and putting into effect a new schedule of rates has been postponed. The public can stand an indefinite delay in the matter of rate raising, but the need of a marked improvement in the service is becoming extremely urgent.

Did you ever notice that all meetings of political clubs are enthusiastic in the newspaper reports? Most of them really were before the days of the Yost law. But we have our doubts about some of this alleged enthusiasm now.

Greece continues to teeter on the brink of war. If something does not happen soon the particular section of the brink Greece occupies will be worn smooth.

There may be some difference of opinion regarding preparedness, but judging by reports from Washington there are not many towns which are not sure that they are the logical place for the proposed government armor plate plant.

## SHORT AND SNAPPY.

The barometer state of Maine appears to have broken the top from the tube.—Parkersburg News.

That man who had \$800,000, married six times, and now has \$20,000, probably doesn't believe two live as cheaply as one.—Wheeling Intelligencer.

Connellsville is again flirting with a silk mill. "There's one born every minute," but this doesn't refer to the silk mill.—Uniontown News-Standard.

Mr. Bulger of the New York Evening World says that the Brooklyn Dodgers look as dead as two barrels of salt heretofore. If they look like that, wonder what he'd say about Connie Mack's Athletics?—Uniontown Evening Genius.

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## OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

(BY CONDO.)



## Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

### DIRIGO!

From the New York Sun.

Analysis of the Maine election returns, which are nearly all in, leaves no room for doubt that national issues were paramount in the campaign, and that the result is an index of what will happen on November 7, when the nation votes for President and members of Congress. Well may Mr. Hughes say, "I don't see how we can lose now." Independent observers will agree with him.

If the Democrats can get any cheer out of the retrospects or post-mortems of Maine politics to which they resort for consolation, it is only by shutting their eyes to the rise and decline of Progressive Republicanism in the last four or five years. The fact that in the days of Blaine and McKinley Republican pluralities in Maine were two or three times as large as the plurality recorded in the election on Monday is manifestly irrelevant. In those times there had been no strong independent movement in the Republican party and no great abyss between factions in any national election. In those times Maine never had two Democratic Senators in Washington, appointed or elected by the Legislature, nor a Democratic Representative in the House term after term. Patronage has had something to do with adding to the number of Democrats in Maine in recent years.

If we really desire to know how the Republican party stands in Maine after the September election this year and what the returns mean, comparisons must be made with the results in 1912 and 1914. The first thing noticeable about the Maine September election figures this year is that both the Democratic candidates for the United States Senate, Senator Charles F. Johnson and Kenneth G. M. Sills, ran about 2,000 votes ahead of the Democratic Governor, Oakley C. Curtis, who was up for reelection. Nevertheless, Senator Johnson was beaten by about 18,000 votes and Dean Sills of Bowdoin College by approximately 12,000 votes. State issues of course did not enter into the canvass made by the Democratic candidates for the Senate, and a special appeal was made by Mr. Wilson's phalanx of platform orators, including several members of the Cabinet, to send Senator Johnson back to Washington. He was well known as an Administration Senator, and his record was not bad. At the same time he was a man of ability and character and greatly esteemed in Maine. If a Cleveland had been in the White House Senator Johnson's chances would have been much brighter.

Certainly the Wilson policies were the undoing of Senator Johnson, and Representative Daniel J. McGillicuddy of the Second Congress District was also a victim—the silver tongued and ever popular Dan Mack, who was serving his third term in the House, a never failing spring of patronage, Maine's only Democrat in the House was not running on State issues. Three times Mayor of Lewiston, the champion vote getter of Maine, Daniel J. McGillicuddy, was knocked out by the unpopularity of the Wilson Administration, succumbing to a novice. His fall will resound from the plantations to the sea. In 1914 the Republican candidate in the Second District polled only 11,335 votes and a Progressive 6,539, while McGillicuddy's plurality was 5,173; on Monday there was no Progressive candidate, and the Republican, W. H. White, Jr., won 387 votes (five precincts missing). In the First and Third districts the very slight Republican advantages of 1914 were converted into pluralities of thousands, and in the Fourth the Republican plurality of 2,726 two years ago was almost doubled.

National issues were paramount in Maine on Monday, and Governor Curtis, who was elected by a plurality of 3,177 two years ago, could make no headway against them and was buried in the wreck. The Progressives returned to the Republican party in Maine, almost all of them. That is what the plurality of 13,000 means in the State whose motto is "Dirigo!" the

State which gave Woodrow Wilson a plurality of 2,620 in the last national election. About 146,000 votes were polled in Maine on Monday. New York's total in 1912, when Woodrow Wilson carried the State by 200,047, was 1,587,983 votes. The plurality of about 13,000 in Maine is therefore equivalent in significance to a plurality of more than 130,000 for Hughes in New York.

### SEND SCHOOL INQUIRY.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 14.—The State Department of Schools today sent out its annual inquiry to the high schools of the State for information on which they will be classified for the appointment of State aid. Owing to the large increase in the number of high schools and better classification expected this year, it is said the amount of State aid to each school will be materially reduced.

## RUFF STUFF

BY RED.

Next!  
Red light parade.

Colonel Dodd's famous rum will be forgotten this week when some foot ball player eludes the opposing team for 60 yards.

Train Robber Harrison will be behind the bars for 12 years. Well, out of a life term he served about eight years. And besides Jeff is getting so he can't do much other than lay in jail.

Hate to see a guy with nerve like his sticking in jail.

And, as is customary in most such cases, the real head of the affair is basking in the sun along some of our fashionable beaches.

Villa takes stand at Galedos. If Villa is dead as he says he is, Galedos must be a hot village.

Why not put the armor plate plant at Shadow Lawn?

Or in Bermuda?

Ah! ye should care—Newspaper men cannot travel on the railroads on passes any more but we get there by being served with a subpoena as a witness and then our "testimony is not need it."

Taera was room in The Times this morning to print the fact that the Arabs had found homes.

Poor Arabs; we always feel sorry for anybody that "has no hum."

Three fires while the fire preventive officials are in town indicates that some firemen draw fire.

While others draw beer.

And the Quebec bridge will be replaced right away.

"Hotel Clerk a Hero."

You bet your neck. Besides a hotel clerk what other person in the world has nerve enough to put us in dark, cobwebby rooms and keep us there?

To the unsophisticated, even an ice wagon driver is a hero.

That fiddle at the Pastime bowling alley which is 203 years old—if it could show signs of grief it would weep.

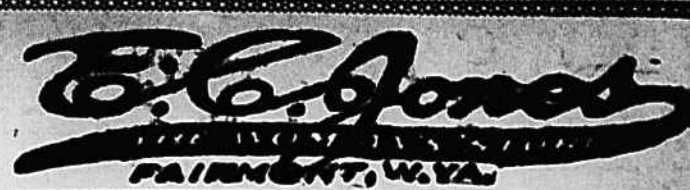
To think it had to live 203 years before being used in the manner in which it is now.

More dentists coming to town. The more the merrier.

The dentist in the city who bought himself a bear at the Wheeling Fair and sold it again must have forgotten that he himself is a bear.

He paid \$50 for it . . . sold it soon after for \$48.

But as he says "I had a million dollars worth of fun out of it when some fellow got it drunk."



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## NEW YORK LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

THE Republicans have carried Maine by 13,000. They have elected the governor, two senators and the four members of Congress, making it a clean sweep. The election proves that the Progressives have returned to the Republican fold, and is regarded by every experienced political observer as a certain forecast of the election of Mr. Hughes in November. A Republican majority of less than 10,000 might have left room for argument, but a majority of 13,000 is regarded as making a Republican national victory certain. The defeat of Senator Johnson was a crushing blow to the Democrats. Perceiving some weeks ago that they had little chance of carrying the state as a whole, despite the fact that their candidate for re-election as governor had made a clean record and was popular, the Democrats concentrated their forces on the effort to re-elect Senator Johnson. All their big guns, Sam Underhill, Josephus Daniels, Senators and Representatives, were sent into the state, and all of them spoke especially for Senator Johnson. And the result is that the Republicans have swept the state. It is not surprising that there is rejoicing in the Republican camp. Since 1904, the Republican governors have been elected in Maine by pluralities of less than 8,000. In 1910 the Democrats elected the governor by 8,763 and again in 1914 by 3,177. Now the Republicans have elected the governor by a vote larger than the combined Republican and Progressive vote of two years ago. Had the Republicans and Progressives been united in 1912, Woodrow Wilson would have been defeated by 1,300,000 votes. The Republicans and Progressives are now united.

Wilson Dodging.

President Wilson's blundering in China, his demagogic repudiation of the bankers who had been induced by the Taft administration to make a loan to China, and the exposure of the fact that the Wilson policy has left China at the mercy of Japan, which is exerting every influence to prevent the United States from enjoying any material share in China's trade, together with Colonel Roosevelt's merciless exposure of Mr. Wilson's criminal blundering in Mexico, have led to a characteristic attempt to dodge on the part of the President. "Politics stop at the waters edge," is the statement issued from the White House, which borrows the assertion of Senator Lodge with which to avoid criticism. The administration also "permits it to be known" that "it particularly desires that all discussion of Mexico be eliminated from the campaign." In other words, Mr. Wilson would appeal to the patriotism of the people of the political speakers to save himself from exposure of his most palpable and egregious blunders. As Mr. Wilson has sacrificed every vital interest of the United States in his conduct of its foreign affairs and has in nothing displayed more conclusively his inefficiency and vacillation, there is little likelihood that any one will heed his present plea. His use of Senator Lodge's excellent injunction is, of course, a distortion. Mr. Lodge having applied it not to political campaigns but to the action of Senators in dealing officially with foreign affairs.

A Dead Loss.

National guardsmen from all over the country have been "marched up hill and then marched down again." They have had their taste of "watchful waiting" on the Mexican border. It has cost the government \$130,000,000 according to Democratic figures, to make good Mr. Wilson's incapacity to prepare the necessary for military preparedness during more than two years of his administration, and to the guardsmen who responded patriotically to the call to arms, sacrificing their business, their employment, in many instances the business prospects gained by years of hard and faithful toil, and subjecting their families to privation, all the loss they have sustained is a dead loss. No one will recompense them for it. They must simply offer it up as the tribute irrevocably exacted of them by Wilsonian vacillation and Democratic inefficiency.

A Wilson Gold Brick.

"I sign this bill with emotion because I know what it means to the heart and vigor of the country and to the happiness of those whom it affects. It is with genuine pride that I play my part in completing this legislation. I congratulate the country and flatter myself." This was the statement of President Wilson, as seated before the movie camera, he signed the Child Labor bill. And now the bill he signed proves to be a fraud and a fake. It forbids shipment out of a state of the product of a cannery, mill, factory, etc., "in which, within thirty days prior to the removal of such product" from the cannery, factory or mill, etc., children have been employed or permitted to work. Therefore, all the cannery, mill operator or manufacturer need do is to hold his product of child labor for thirty days and he can ship it where he pleases. There is nothing in the law to prevent. To canneries, which employ great numbers of children, this law will prove especially convenient. Canneries pack their product during an extremely short season. Under Mr. Wilson's widely advertised Child Labor Law, they can pursue their normal course and need only follow their cus-

tomary practice of holding their goods thirty days before shipment, to escape the prohibition of the law. It was one of Mr. Wilson's Democratic henchmen in the Senate who substituted this provision for the really effective provision which had been adopted in the House. The effort of the Wilson administration to deceive the public into believing that the Democratic administration had passed and the President had signed a real Child Labor Law, when in fact it has done nothing of the kind, has served to recall the fact that before he entered the White House Mr. Wilson denounced the utilization of the commerce clause of the Constitution to regulate child labor in the most scathing terms, and serves to confirm the Republican contention that he fathered a fake bill merely to gain votes on election day.

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## ANNOYING KIDNEY ILLS

Make Life Miserable for Many Fairmont People

There's nothing more annoying than kidney weakness or inability to properly control the kidney secretions. Night and day alike, the sufferer is tormented and what with the burning and scalding, the attendant backache, headache and dizziness, life is indeed a burden. Doan's Kidney Pills have given peace and comfort to many Fairmont people. Profit by this Fairmont resident's experience.

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## METZ ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sidwell, of Fairmont, were visiting Mrs. Alice Small Sunday.  
Mrs. Dorothy Parsons, of Mannington, was visiting Miss Marguerite McNeill the past week.  
Miss Stella Baker was a business

visitor in Mannington Tuesday.  
E. H. Hibbs was a business visitor in Hundred Tuesday.  
Amos Haight, of Wadestown, a business visitor in this place Tuesday.  
Mrs. H. C. Ferrell is visiting friends in Ohio.  
Miss Birdie Ferrell and Miss Gail

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